

Thursday, March 19, 1959

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill on International Monetary Fund and International Bank, and took up bill on area redevelopment.

House passed airport aid bill and debated Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4560-4593

Bills Introduced: 18 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1459-1476; and S. Con. Res. 17.

Pages 4566-4567

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Interim report of the Committee on Foreign Relations on study of U.S. foreign policy (S. Rept. 118); and

S.J. Res. 73, extending an invitation to the International Olympic Committee to hold the 1964 Olympic games in Detroit, with amendments (S. Rept. 119).

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World Bank: By 73 yeas to 10 nays (motion to reconsider tabled), Senate passed with committee amendments S. 1094, to amend the Bretton Woods Agreements Act so as to authorize increased U.S. subscriptions to the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. During its consideration, Senate adopted, by 58 yeas to 25 nays, the third committee amendment providing that the changes made in the Bretton Woods Agreements Act by the bill shall become effective on July 1, 1959. Also during consideration of the bill Presiding Officer overruled point of order by Senator Williams that the bill was not properly before the Senate because the report was not available when bill was brought up by unanimous consent on March 18.

Pages 4593-4611

Committee Assignment: It was announced that Vice President has appointed Senator Kennedy as an additional member of the Joint Economic Committee.

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Authority To Meet: Subcommittee on Internal Security of the Committee on the Judiciary was authorized to meet in New Orleans, La., on March 26, 1959.

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Area Redevelopment: Senate took up S. 722, to establish an effective program to alleviate conditions of unemployment and underemployment in certain eco-

nomically depressed areas, reaching the following unanimous-consent agreement thereon:

Effective on Monday, March 23, at conclusion of routine morning business, any amendment, motion, or appeal (except motion to table) shall be limited to 1 hour, equally divided; no nongermane amendment may be received; and on question of final passage, debate shall be limited to 2 hours, equally divided.

Pages 4614, 4627-4637

Foreign Currency Use: By unanimous consent, there was ordered to be printed in the Congressional Record the consolidated report of each committee of the Senate and of each joint committee whose funds are disbursed by Secretary of the Senate, using foreign currencies for period July 1-December 31, 1958.

Pages 4562-4566

Treaty Received: Protocol of amendment to the Convention on the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences, opened for signature at Washington on December 1, 1958 (Ex. C, 86th Cong., 1st sess.), was received and referred to Committee on Foreign Relations.

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Confirmations: 2 civilian nominations were received, 1 to a U.N. group.

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Nominations: Senate received 408 Air Force nominations.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DURUM WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices held and concluded hearings on S. 623, 1208, and 1282, providing additional acreage allotments for the production of durum wheat, with testimony from Senators Murray and Langer; Representative Anderson, of Montana; H. Laurence Manwaring, Commodity Stabilization Service, Department of Agriculture; Richard Crockett, president, and Richard K.

Saunders, both of Durum Growers' Association, Langdon, N. Dak.; Al Keating, North Dakota Farm Bureau, Fargo; Ray R. Wentzel, Doughboy Industries, New Richmond, Wis.; Robert M. Green, National Macaroni Manufacturers Association, Palatine, Ill.; and James G. Stearns, Durum Wheat Committee of Tulalake Basin, Calif.

Subcommittee will hold hearings tomorrow on general wheat programs.

APPROPRIATIONS—PUBLIC WORKS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Public Works had as its witnesses Brig. Gen. W. W. Lapsley, Ohio River division engineer, Army, who discussed river and harbor and flood-control projects in the Ohio and Tennessee Basins, and Maj. Gen. Keith Barney, Missouri River division engineer, who discussed such projects in the Missouri River Valley.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MISSILE RANGE BRIEFING, AND MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Military Construction, in executive session, received a briefing on guided-missiles ranges from the following witnesses: L. M. Ruth, Office of the Director of Guided Missiles, Department of Defense; Capt. E. O. Wagner, Department of the Navy; Lt. Col. William Teir, Department of the Army; Col. Paul Cooper, Department of the Air Force; and Frank Smith, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

In an afternoon session, also executive, subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 1086, fiscal 1960 authorizations for military construction, with testimony on Navy and Army line items in the bill from Capt. John L. Chew, Director, Shore Establishment Development and Maintenance Division, Office of the CNO, and Maj. Gen. L. E. Seeman, Director of Installations, Army.

Hearings continue Monday, March 23.

BANK MERGERS

Committee on Banking and Currency: Committee continued its hearings on S. 1062, to provide safeguards against mergers of banks which might lessen competition unduly or tend unduly to create a banking monopoly. Witnesses heard were Representative Celler; Joseph M. Naughton, American Bankers Association; Robert L. Myers, Jr., National Association of Supervisors of State Banks; Carl W. Funk, American Bar Association; and Ben Dubois, Independent Bankers Association.

Hearings were recessed subject to call of the Chair.

TAXATION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded its hearings on H.R. 4245, proposed Life Insurance Company Income Tax Act of 1959, after hearing testimony from

R. T. Stuart, Jr., Mid Continent Life Insurance Co.; Albert L. Hall, Berkshire Life Insurance Co.; Dr. Roy Moor, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass.; Dr. George Lent, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.; Vester T. Hughes, American Life Insurance Co. of Alabama; George Harris, Chicago Metropolitan Mutual Assurance Corp.; Daniel J. Lyons, the Guardian Life Insurance Co. of America; M. C. Reese, Jr., Association of Arizona Insurance Companies; Charles Siegfried, Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.; and James H. Horn, Southern United Life Insurance Co.

PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

Committee on Government Operations: Committee held hearings on S. 910, to authorize payment to local governments of sums in lieu of taxes and special assessments with respect to certain Federal real property. Testimony favoring enactment of the bill was heard from Senators Kuchel, Cannon, and Moss; William R. MacDougall, County Supervisors Association of California; Richard C. Watts, Washington State Association of County Commissioners, Olympia; James Stearns, Modoc County Supervisor, Tulalake, Calif.; Mrs. Stella Werner, president, Montgomery County Council, Rockville, Md.; and Lloyd W. Lowrey, member of the California Legislature, and representing Western Interstate Committee on Public Lands.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CLAYTON ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 11, to amend the Clayton Act with reference to equality of opportunity, and S. 138, to define the application of the Clayton Act and Federal Trade Commission Act to certain pricing practices, with testimony from Robert Ackery, National Plant Food Council; Robert E. Lee Hall, National Coal Association; Henry H. Fowler, Manufacturing Chemists Association; A. H. Eustis, Virginia Smelting Co.; J. F. McLaughlin, Chamber of Commerce, State of Georgia; R. W. McCreary, Rubber Manufacturers Association; L. S. Apsey, Commerce & Industry Association of New York; Harold Murtfeldt, American Paper & Pulp Co.; Alex Akerman, Jr., U.S. Chamber of Commerce; James Sprunk, American Bar Association; Homer Dunlop, St. Clair Lime Co., Oklahoma City; and M. H. Robinson, whose statement was read by E. J. Dryer, both of Independent Refiners of America.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: The Constitutional Rights Subcommittee continued its hearings on several pending civil rights proposals, receiving testimony from Senators Douglas and Clark.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT REFORM LEGISLATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee continued its executive consideration of S. 505, proposed Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, but did not conclude its work, and will meet again on Monday, March 23.

MILITARY PROCUREMENT

Select Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Procurement held hearings with regard to difficulties encountered by several small business concerns in transacting business with the Department of Defense. Testimony was received from H. J. Frank,

president, Aerosonic Corp., Clearwater, Fla., and several representatives of the Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INVESTIGATION

Select Committee on Improper Activities in the Labor or Management Field: Committee concluded its current series of hearings with regard to certain activities of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters in the Chicago area.

Committee will meet again on Monday, March 23, when it will resume hearings on certain activities in the coin-operated machine industry.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H.R. 5839-5870; 10 private bills, H.R. 5871-5880; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 316, H. Con. Res. 107 and 108, and H. Res. 217 and 218, were introduced. Pages 4667, 4676, 4696, 4697

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 451, relating to compensation for injuries under Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act where third person is liable, amended (H. Rept. 229);

H.R. 4597, to provide for the training of postmasters under the Government Employees Training Act (H. Rept. 230);

H.R. 4599, to provide certain administrative authorities for the National Security Agency, amended (H. Rept. 231);

H.R. 5247, increased authorization for 1959 school milk program, amended (H. Rept. 232);

H. Res. 217, providing for consideration of, 2 hours of debate on, and the waiving of points of order against, H.R. 4452, to amend the Bretton Woods Agreements Act (H. Rept. 233); and

Report of the Committee on Government Operations entitled "Availability of Information From Federal Departments and Agencies (Air Force Refusal to the General Accounting Office)" (H. Rept. 234). Pages 4695-4696

Appropriations: The Committee on Appropriations was given permission to file by midnight Friday reports on the second supplemental appropriation bill for 1959, and Interior and related agencies appropriation bill for 1960. Page 4642

Airport Grants: By a record vote of 272 yeas to 134 nays the House passed H.R. 1011, to amend the Federal

Airport Act in order to extend the time for making grants under the provisions of such act. This passage was subsequently vacated and S. 1, a similar bill, was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the House-passed language.

Separate votes were requested on two amendments that were adopted while in the Committee of the Whole that resulted in the rejection by a record vote of 194 yeas to 214 nays the Davis of Georgia amendment to reduce by \$97 million the amount of Federal aid for airports. The Williams of Mississippi amendment designed to insure congressional control over appropriations was also rejected by a record vote of 191 yeas to 216 nays.

The Springer amendment to substitute the administration program was rejected while in the Committee of the Whole by a teller vote of 144 yeas to 181 nays. As passed by the House the bill authorizes Federal aid for airports totaling \$297 million to become available over a 4-year period beginning July 1, 1960. Pages 4642-4667

Treasury-Post Office Appropriations: Commenced the consideration (with 2 hours of debate) of H.R. 5805, making appropriations for the Treasury and Post Office Departments, and the U.S. Tax Court, for fiscal year 1960, but deferred final action on the bill to Friday after consuming 66 minutes of the time allotted for debate. Pages 4667-4676

Minority Employee Compensation: Adopted H. Res. 218, adjusting the compensation of a minority employee. Page 4676

Bills Referred: 37 Senate-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 4695

Bills Re-referred: The Committee on Agriculture was discharged from further consideration of the following

two bills and they were referred to the Committee on Government Operations: H.R. 5746, to amend Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1953, and H.R. 4147, to establish the Rural Electrification Administration as an independent agency.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL RECOMMENDATIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings relative to receiving of recommendations from new Members of Congress concerning the general agricultural situation. Heard today was Representative Flynn.

AREA REDEVELOPMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Resumed hearings on H.R. 3505, area redevelopment legislation. Officials of the Department of Commerce; Department of Labor; Members of Congress; and the president of the United Auto Workers were heard today. Hearings continue tomorrow.

D.C. LEGISLATION

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee No. 2 held and concluded hearing but took no action on the following bills: H.R. 2511, relating to penalties for shoplifting; and H.R. 2318, to provide for the regulation of closing-out and fire sales in the District of Columbia. The subcommittee also considered but did not complete hearing on H.R. 2317, to provide for the licensing and bonding of collection agencies.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT REFORM

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Labor-Management Reform Legislation continued hearings, receiving testimony from the president of the Brotherhood of Railway Workers. Hearings resume on Tuesday, March 24.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Special Education continued hearings on H.R. 3464, juvenile delinquency control projects bill. Public witnesses were heard and hearings continue tomorrow.

MUTUAL SECURITY EXTENSION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Met in executive session on the extension of the Mutual Security Act. Witnesses representing the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs were heard.

RECLAMATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation concluded public hearings on H.R. 301, and related bills, re construction of the San Luis unit of the Central Valley project, Cali-

fornia. Witnesses heard were representatives of the Bureau of Reclamation, Interior Department.

FAIR TRADE

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Continued hearings on H.R. 1253 and related bills on fair trade. Public witnesses were heard and hearings continue tomorrow.

CIVIL RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 5 continued hearings on bills relating to civil rights. Public witnesses were heard and a statement was submitted by Representative Halpern. Hearings resume on Wednesday, April 8.

JUDICIAL MISCELLANY

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 4 met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee H. Con. Res. 103, relating to the quadricentennial anniversary of Florida; and ordered adversely reported H.R. 4337, a bankruptcy bill.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES AND LAWSUITS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 2 concluded hearings on H.R. 3283 and similar bills, to provide for the defense of suits against Federal employees arising out of their operation of motor vehicles in the scope of their employment. Public witnesses were heard.

DUAL SHIPPING RATES

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Special Subcommittee on Steamship Conferences continued hearings regarding dual shipping rate study.

COMMITTEE MISCELLANY

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the House the following bills:

H.R. 4601, amending the so-called Hiss Act, to limit to cases involving the national security the prohibition on payment of annuities and retired pay to officers and employees of the United States;

H.R. 4597, to provide for the training of postmasters under the Government Employees Training Act;

H.R. 4595, to clarify and make uniform certain provisions of laws relating to special postage rates for educational, cultural, and library materials; and

H.R. 4599, to provide certain administrative authorities for the National Security Agency.

The following subcommittee was also appointed: Subcommittee to consider H.R. 5212, to revise the minimum charge on pieces of mail of odd sizes and shapes. Members: Representatives Granahan, chairman, Scott, Shipley, Cunningham, and Wallhauser.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

Committee on Public Works: Continued hearing on H.R. 3610, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act. Testimony was received from Representative Clement W. Miller and public witnesses. Hearings resume on Wednesday, April 8.

BRETTON WOODS AGREEMENTS ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule, waiving points of order, with 2 hours of debate on H.R. 4452, to amend the Bretton Woods Agreements Act. Witnesses heard on the granting of the rule were Representatives Spence and Kilburn.

NUCLEAR ROCKETS

Committee on Science and Astronautics: Continued hearings on the general subject of propulsion problems of the space age and heard testimony today relative to nuclear and unique methods of rocket propulsion. Public witnesses were heard and hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard the national commander of the Disabled American Veterans organization in a presentation of legislative recommendations.

INTERNAL REVENUE TAXATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Met in executive session to review report of the Subcommittee on Internal

Revenue Taxation and the Advisory Group on Internal Revenue Administration. No announcement was made and executive consideration continues tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings**RADIATION HAZARDS**

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Research and Development concluded its hearings on the subject of employee radiation hazards and workmen's compensation insurance, after receiving testimony from Leo Goodman, UAW, AFL-CIO; Otto F. Christenson, Council of State Manufacturers Association; Herbert Yount, representing insurance associations; W. H. McAdams, General Electric Co.; and Dr. Charles Dunham, Director of Division of Biology and Medicine, and Harold Price, Director of Division of Licensing and Regulation, both of the AEC.

Following submittal of this testimony, a round-table discussion was held on this subject, participating in which were Dr. Earl Cheit, University of California; Clint Fair, AFL-CIO; Norman Erbe, National Association of Attorneys General; Dr. Russell Morgan, U.S. Public Health Service; Herschel Plain, AEC; Ashley St. Clair, Liberty Mutual Insurance Co.; Ned Parsekian, International Association of Industrial Accident Boards & Commissions; Bruce Green, Department of Labor; W. A. McAdams; Otto F. Christenson; and Leo Goodman.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated area redevelopment bill.

House passed Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill.

Senate**Chamber Action**

Routine Proceedings, pages 4723-4740

Bills Introduced: 14 bills and 2 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1477-1490; and S. Con. Res. 18-19.

Pages 4723-4724

Bill Indefinitely Postponed: Committee on Agriculture and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 1140, Wheat Stabilization Act of 1959. The bill was then indefinitely postponed. *Page 4724*

Area Redevelopment: Senate debated S. 722, to establish an effective program to alleviate conditions of

unemployment and underemployment in certain economically depressed areas.

Pages 4746-4779

Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings**DURUM WHEAT**

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Subcommittee on Agricultural Production, Marketing, and Stabilization of Prices, held hearings on the subject of general wheat programs, with testimony from Senators Neuberger and Curtis; and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Marvin L. McLain, who was accompanied by his associates.

Hearings continue Monday, March 23.